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probably agree with my analysis, and that is as far as the residents that are threatened by UNO's expansion, it is a divided issue. There are residents who have written me and said, Senator Wiitala, I would hope that you would vote in favor of LB 410 because we are in a state of limbo. We know that our residence has no future, it has no marketability. The only way to resolve the issue is to allow UNO to expand. But probably even more importantly are those residences that border all around UNO as far as the northern border of Memorial Park that have to put up with on street student parking that stretches all around the confines of the University of Nebraska in Omaha. It is a problem to them to have a steady flow of cars parked on their curb, passing through their neighborhoods, and even more importantly, threatening their children that live in those neighborhoods. Lastly, I think it is most important for the students to have close access to parking in order to continue their education. The only alternative that remains if UNO does not expand is to expand into the park basin and that is good park property that is an integral part of the history and tradition of Omaha and I would not like to see this. So I would hope that you would see fit to defeat Senator Hoagland's motion for these reasons. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Before I recognize Senator Goodrich, I would like to announce that there are students in the North balcony from Tecumseh, guests of Senator Remmers, 21 third graders from Tecumseh Public Schools. Welcome to your Legislature. Accompanied by Virginia Jones, their teacher. And I do recognize Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Mr. President, I call the question.

PRESIDENT: Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall the debate cease? All those in favor vote yes, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Debate is ceased and Senator Hoagland is entitled to close.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Mr. President and colleagues, let me just say again as I have said today earlier when we debated this issue, I think that these people who are affected are entitled to a public hearing on this issue. They have not had one. This land acquisition plan including the appropriation of over \$3 million came out of the Appropriations Committee without a public hearing, without a notice, without any indication to the people involved that this was going to be part